FISCAL NOTE

HB 2614 - SB 2761

January 18, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Gives local public officials a choice between electronic or paper submission when filing their annual ethics report with the Ethics Commission.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- According to the Ethics Commission, it is unclear how many of the estimated 7,000 local public officials in Tennessee will elect to file their ethics report by mail. These reports are available via internet; however, some officials may request that the forms be mailed to them.
- The Commission is currently developing a rule that will authorize filing by mail. The circumstances under which paper filing will be allowed have not been finalized. This bill will not significantly change the Commission's current procedure for handling paper submissions that are occurring in the absence of a rule.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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